

21 NCAC 08G .0406, is proposed to be amended as follows:

.0406 COMPLIANCE WITH CPE REQUIREMENTS

(a) All active CPAs shall file with the Board a completed CPE reporting form by the July 1 renewal date of each year.

(b) If a CPA fails to complete the CPE requirements prior to the end of the previous calendar year but the CPA has completed them by June 30, the Board may:

- (1) ~~change the CPA's status from active to conditional and require the payment of a civil penalty of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first such failure within a five calendar year period;~~ issue a letter of warning for the first such failure within a five calendar year period; and
- (2) ~~place the CPA on conditional status again and require the payment of a civil penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the second such failure within a five calendar year period; and~~
- (3)(2) deny the renewal of the CPA's certificate for a period of not less than 30 days and until the CPA meets the reinstatement requirements set forth in 21 NCAC 08J .0106 for the ~~third~~ second such failure within a five calendar year period.